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In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277

Toshihiro SADAOKA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 4541

Application No.: 10/089,245 : Group Art Unit: 1616

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For: SEBUM ABSORBING PAPER COMBINING HYDROXYAPATITE

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132

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Sir:

- 1. I, Hiroaki Katsube, declare that:
- 2. I, together with Toshihiro Sadaoka, Yuji Takechi, Akira Takeda, Yoshio Matsumoto, and Katsuji Matsumoto are the joint inventors of the following claims in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/089,245, filed August 21, 2002:
 - 1. A sebum absorbing paper used for applying to skin or for cleaning the skin, comprising:
 - 1 to 30 % by weight inorganic filler, said inorganic filler comprises 50 to 100 % by weight hydroxyapatite, wherein

the paper has a basis weight of 5 to 25 g/m² and selectively capable of absorbing oxidized sebum from other types of sebum.

- 2. A sebum absorbing paper according to Claim 1, wherein an average particle size of said inorganic filler is 0.5 to $8 \mu m$.
- 3. A sebum absorbing paper according to Claim 1 or 2, wherein said inorganic filler comprises 0.5 to 50 % by weight talc having the average particle size of 0.5 to 8 μm .

- 3. Shigetomi Masae, Takechi Shinichi, and Kuroki Shigenori are not inventors of the claims listed above.
- 4. The undersigned hereby declares that all statements made herein based upon knowledge are true, and that all statements made based upon information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

DATED: July 11, 2007 Kiroaki Katsube

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